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11. (C) On August 31, poloff delivered talking points to MFA Deputy Middle East DAS Frederic Berezyiat, per reftel. Berezyiat was confident France would approve the Government of Israel's (GOI) request to speak at the UNRWA meeting on September 24. He was adamant that Israel needed to re-engage with the UN to speak specifically about Gaza and that the UNRWA meeting would be an opportunity at confidence building between the three parties.

12. (C) Berezyiat inquired about the subject of the GOI's proposed speech. He opined that it would be a follow up to a meeting on the margins of the June G-8 meeting in which Berezyiat said the GOI offered to allow aid shipments to be transported into Gaza -- including those of the UN. He added that the Israeli "blockade" of Gaza prevented the performance of several UN projects and he expected a significant announcement by the GOI regarding the flow of money and materials into Gaza. In closing, Berezyiat asked poloff to provide any updated information that becomes available on the subject of the GOI's speech and he added that such information would strengthen France's argument for supporting Israel's participation in the event.

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